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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Application )  
Applicants: Kobayashi et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/187,700 )  
Conf. No.: 3400 )  
Filed: November 6, 1998 )  
For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND )  
METHOD AND APPARATUS )  
FOR SEPARATELY )  
PROTECTING DATA IN )  
DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE )  
STORAGE MEDIUM )  
Art Unit: 2132 )  
Examiner: Meislahn, Douglas J. )

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AMENDMENT F

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Dear Sir:

In further response to the final Office Action mailed June 17, 2003, and pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified Application as follows: